

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449/PTO

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Complete if Known

Application Number	
Filing Date	
First Named Inventor	Gearhart, Glenn
Art Unit	
Examiner Name	
Attorney Docket Number	ACA1.PAU.03

Sheet 1 of 1

U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document Number	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number-Kind Code ² (if known)			
/KS/		US- 5,182,705	01-26-1993	Barr	P11; C1(48-53)
/KS/		US- 5,469,563	11-21-1995	Morata	P13-C1(63-67)C2(1-7)
/KS/		US- 5,745,880	04-28-1998	Strothmann	P6; C1(56-67)
/KS/		US- 5,774,878	06-30-1998	Marshall	P20; C1(8-18)
/KS/		US- 6,088,678	07-11-2000	Shannon	P6; C1(40-63)
/KS/		US- 6,092,050	07-18-2000	Lungren	P36; C1(11-19)
/KS/		US- 6,219,654	04-17-2001	Ruffin	P15; C3(8-18)
/KS/		US- 6,286,005	09-04-2001	Canon	P43; C3(1-20)
/KS/		US- 6,236,975	05-22-2001	Boe	P19; C1(43-57)
/KS/		US- 6,324,645	11-27-2001	Andrews	P8; C1(65)C2(36;58)
/KS/		US- 6,542,905	04-01-2003	Fogel	P3C2(64-67)P4C3(3-9)
/KS/		US- 6,546,493	04-08-2003	Magdych	P7; C1(23-45)
/KS/		US- 6,567,814	05-20-2003	Bankier	P10; C1(15-29)
/KS/		US- 6,597,957	07-22-2003	Beakley	P9; C1(13-30)
/KS/		US- 6,609,120	08-19-2003	Honarvar	P30;C1(65-67)C2(1-4)
/KS/		US- 6,654,751	11-25-2003	Schmugar	P13; C1(30-37)
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages Or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁶
		Country Code ³ Number ⁴ Kind Code ⁵ (if known)				

Examiner Signature	/Kari Schmidt/	Date Considered	03/12/2007
--------------------	----------------	-----------------	------------

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.